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SUBJECT: VISIT TO SPAIN BY JOURNALISTS' UNION REPRESENTATIVE

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1. THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF JOURNALISTS (IFJ) IS PLANNING TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO SPAIN IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO SURVEY THE SITUATION OF THE PRESS AND OF JOURNALISTS, ACCORDING TO THEO BOGAERTS, IFJ GENERAL SECRETARY.

2. LIKE A SIMILAR MISSION TO PORTUGAL IN MAY THIS YEAR, THE TRIP TO SPAIN WILL BE FINANCED BY THE NORDIC UNION OF JOURNALISTS, MADE UP OF IFJ AFFILIATES IN NORWAY, SWEDEN, FINLAND, DENMARK AND ICELAND. THE SURVEY

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WILL BE CONDUCTED BY HANS LARSEN, GENERAL SECRETARY

OF THE DANISH UNION OF JOURNALISTS.

3. BOGAERTS HAS PROMISED TO ADVISE US OF THE DATE FOR THE VISIT AS SOON AS IT IS FIXED. HE SAID HE WILL GIVE LARSEN THE NAME OF OUR LABOR ATTACHE IN MADRID FOR POSSIBLE BACKGROUND BRIEFINGS ON THE LABOR SITUATION.

4. IN RESPONSE TO REFTTEL, WE ARE PREPARING A REPORT ON WHAT THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATIONS BASED HERE ARE DOING, OR PLANNING TO DO, IN SPAIN. HINTON

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